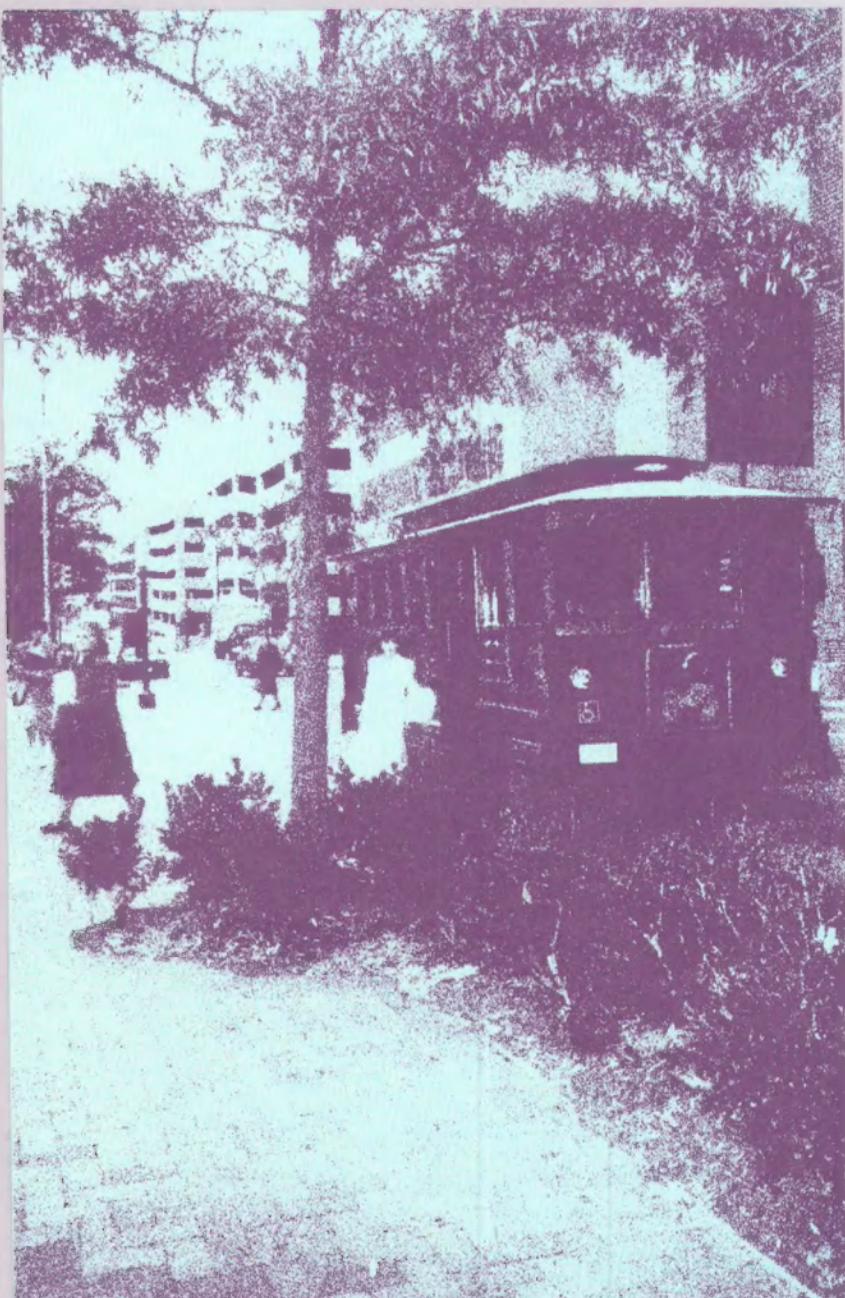
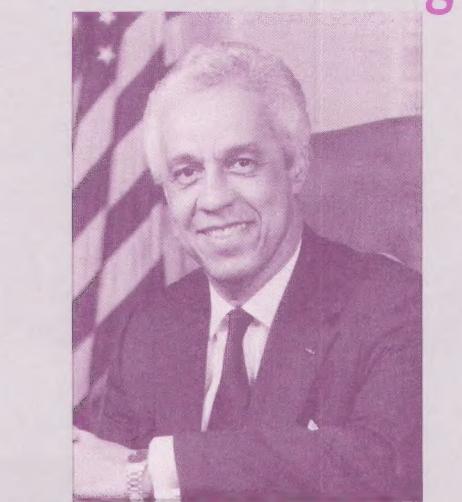


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## How To Use This Guide

1. Look at the state map and find the places you wish to travel.
2. Note the symbols associated with the places you wish to travel. These symbols indicate the forms of transportation available in the area.
3. Look at the legend in the upper right hand corner of this page for an explanation of the various symbols.
4. After determining which forms of transportation serve the area you wish to travel, refer to the directory side of this map. Look under the headings for the forms of transportation that serve the places you must travel. You will find a brief description and directions for obtaining specific schedules or ticket information.
5. This directory section also contains information on other forms of transportation not displayed on the map side of "Connecting the Commonwealth." Refer to this section for airport ground transportation, taxis, ridesharing, (carpooling and vanpooling), charter and tour buses and special services for the elderly and disabled.

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## Detail of Northern Virginia



## Legend

### Key



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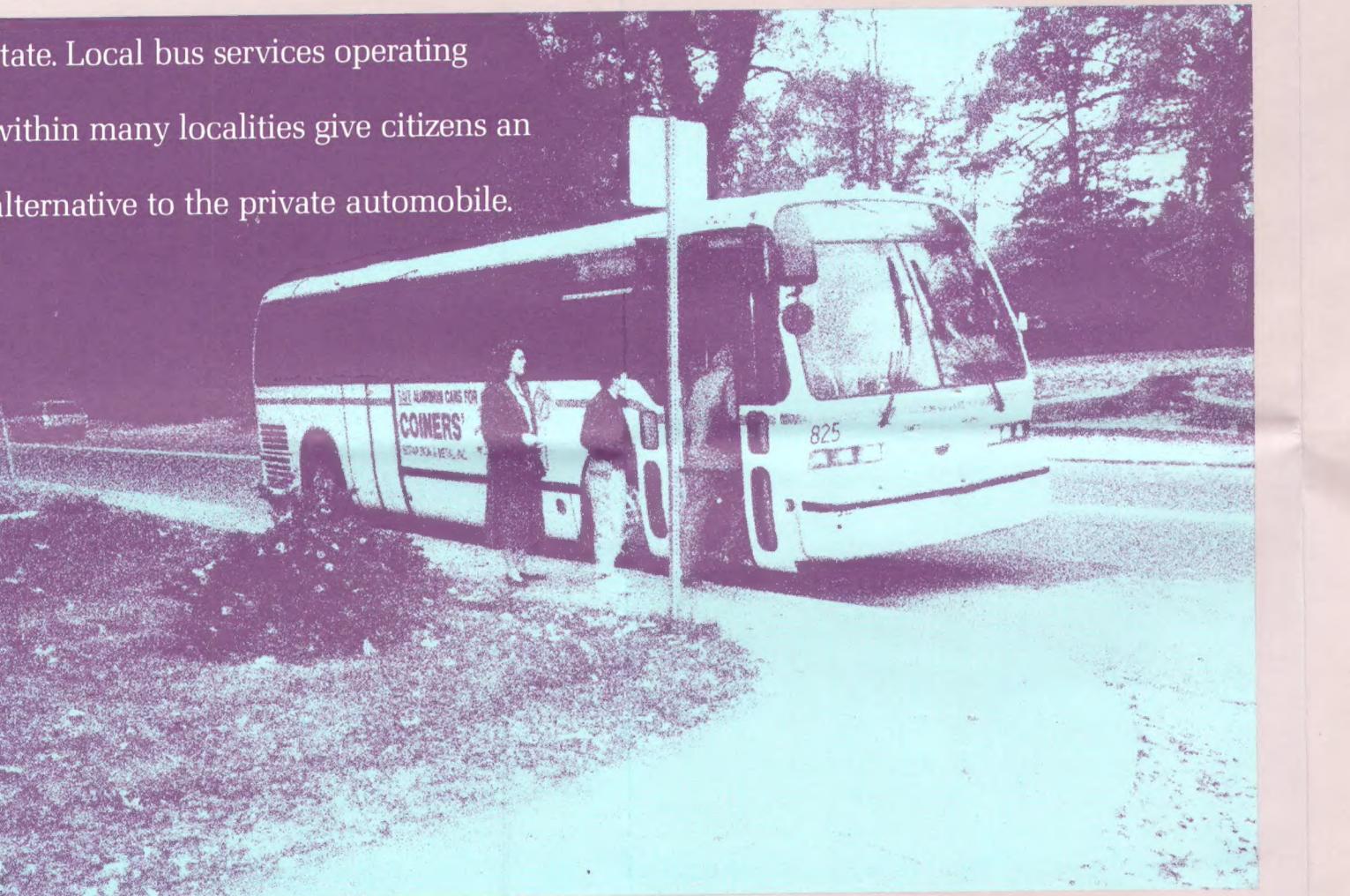
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# PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN VIRGINIA

Whether vacationing in Virginia, moving into the state, or looking for the best way to get to work each day, public transportation is connecting the Commonwealth. Virginia's public transportation network moves millions of people daily. Intercity bus services, such as Greyhound and other private bus lines, link cities across the state. Local bus services operating within many localities give citizens an alternative to the private automobile.



## Commuter, Charter and Tour Services

There are numerous private commuter, charter and tour services located throughout Virginia. These services make it convenient for individuals to travel with friends or a group to a particular destination or for a special event. For information on charter or tour services in an area, refer to the "Buses-Charter and Rental" section of the yellow pages. Additional information on licensed operators in your area may be obtained from:

Virginia Bus Association, Inc.  
4421 Menokin Road  
Richmond, Virginia 23235  
(804) 320-6339

State Corporation Commission  
Motor Carrier Division  
Jefferson Building  
1220 Bank Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23219  
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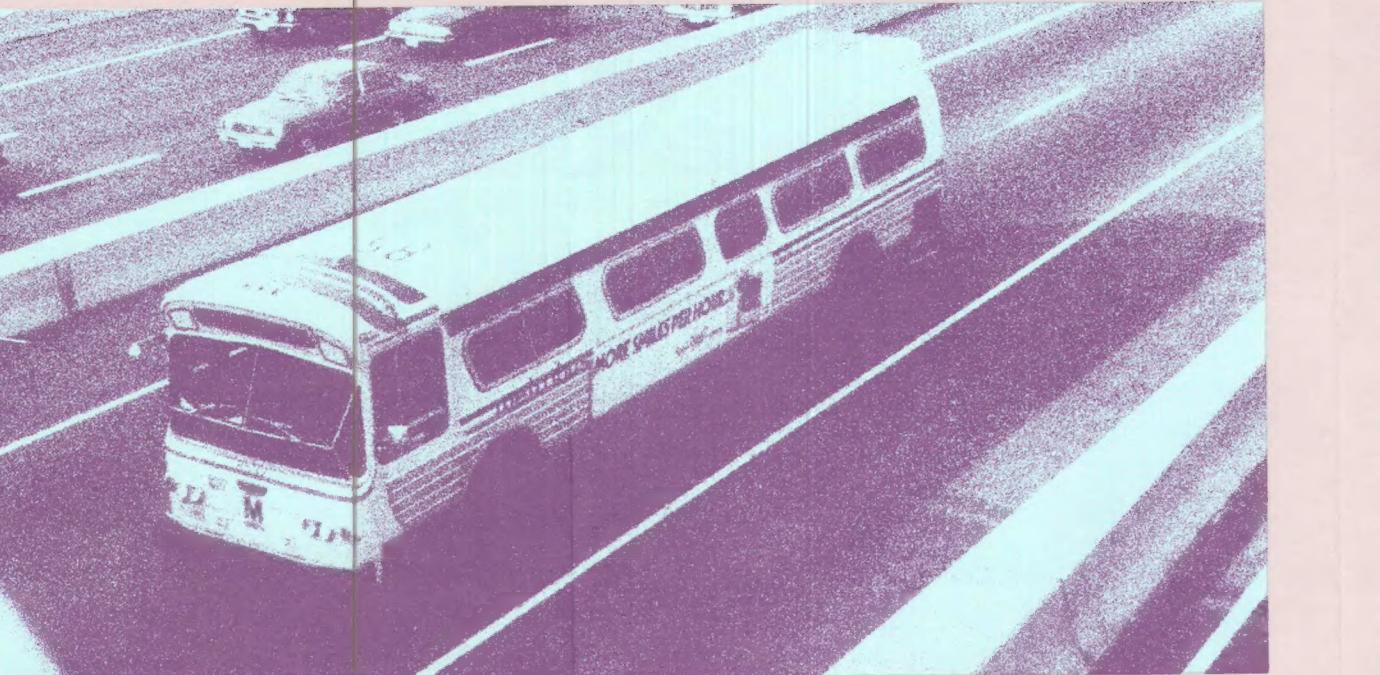
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Suite 1628 L Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20036-5104  
(202) 331-1671

## Visiting Virginia

Experienced travel counselors at the Virginia Division of Tourism will be pleased to assist you in planning your trip, pointing out interesting attractions along the way. They can offer you a selection of more than 550 travel brochures, including a general overview of Virginia's attractions for the foreign visitor written in English, French, German and Japanese. Visitors to Virginia's Capitol in Richmond are welcome to visit the Bell Tower on the state Capitol grounds for travel information. Pick up a copy of the *Virginia Travel Guide*, which contains comprehensive listings of the Commonwealth's many attractions and points of interest or call the toll free information number 1-800-VISITVA. For further assistance contact:

Virginia Division of Tourism  
Administration Office  
1021 East Cary Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23219  
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## Local Transit Service

Approximately half of Virginia's citizens are served by 33 publicly funded transit systems. These transit systems in Virginia provide several types of service. The most typical type of public transportation service is the traditional motorbus, operating on fixed routes and schedules.

Other transit services do not operate on a fixed route or schedule, but are scheduled by patrons on the same day or several days in advance. This specialized service is tailored to meet the specific needs of patrons and, therefore, varies from day to day.

In the Washington, DC metropolitan area, the Metro System provides bus and rail service to many historic sites, museums, shopping malls, community service and activity centers, homes and work. Currently, the Metrorail system consists of 63 stations and over 72 miles. Refer to the Northern Virginia inset to find the nearest Virginia Metrorail Station or call the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority at (202) 637-7000 for a Metro System route map detailing the interconnected bus and rail services. The Northern Virginia Transportation Commission (NRTC) also provides a guide highlighting the region's convenient public transportation network. You can receive a copy of "Transit Connection" by calling NRTC at (703) 524-3322.

The square symbol on the map indicates those localities that have publicly funded bus services. A list of bus operators, their respective service areas, and a corresponding telephone number are included in this directory. For information on bus services and schedules, please call the telephone number listed.

Service Area	Bus Operators	Telephone Number
Alexandria	DASH	(703) 370-3274
Amelia, Buckingham & Cumberland Counties	Central Virginia Transit	(804) 492-3600
Arlington County (Crystal City area)	Arlington County Trolley	(703) 358-3575
Blacksburg	Blacksburg Transit	(703) 961-1185
Bluefield (& Tazewell County)	Clearfork Community Association Transit	(703) 945-9277
Bristol	Bristol Virginia Transit	(703) 669-0135
Buchanan County (Grundy)	Buchanan County Transportation System	(703) 971-3350
Charlottesville	Charlottesville Transit Service Transportation for the disabled provided by JAUNT, Inc.	(804) 296-3184
Charlottesville (& Albemarle, Greene, Nelson, Fluvanna & Louisa Counties)	JAUNT, Inc.	(804) 296-3184
Colonial Beach	Colonial Beach Transit System	(804) 224-7181
Danville	Danville Transit System	(804) 799-5144
Dickenson County (Clintwood)	Dickenson County Public Transportation	(703) 926-1676
Fairfax City (& George Mason University)	Fairfax Cue System	(703) 358-7859
Fairfax County	Fairfax Connector	(703) 339-7200
Farmville	Farmville Area Bus	(804) 392-RIDE
Greene County	Greene County Transit	(804) 985-5205
Hampton & Newport News	PENTRAN	(804) 723-3344
Harrisonburg	Harrisonburg Bus Service	(703) 434-2515
James City County & City of Williamsburg	James City County Transit Company	(804) 220-1621
Lynchburg	Greater Lynchburg Transit Company	(804) 847-7771
Marion (& Galax, Bland, Wythe, Carroll, Grayson & Washington Counties)	District III Transportation Service	(703) 783-8157
Petersburg (& Ettrick)	Petersburg Area Transit	(804) 733-2413
Prince William County, Manassas & Manassas Park	Prince William County COMMUTERIDE	(703) 550-7441
Rappahannock-Rapidan area (Culpeper, Fauquier, Madison, Orange & Rappahannock Counties)	Rappahannock-Rapidan Community Service Center	(703) 825-3100
Reston	RIBS	(703) 548-4545
Richmond & Henrico County	Greater Richmond Transit Company Transportation for the disabled provided by STAR	(804) 358-GRTC (804) 353-7827
Roanoke, Salem & Vinton	Valley Metro Transportation for the disabled provided by RADAR	(703) 982-2222 (703) 343-1721
Russell County (Lebanon)	Russell County Public Transportation	(703) 889-8000
Tazewell County (Tazewell)	Tazewell County Transit System	(703) 988-7541 ext. 406
Tidewater area (Suffolk, Portsmouth, Chesapeake, Norfolk, Virginia Beach)	Tidewater Regional Transit	(804) 627-9291
Washington Metropolitan Area	Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (METROBUS & METRORAIL)	(202) 637-7000
Winchester	Winchester Transit System	(703) 662-3982
Wise & Norton (Wise, Lee & Scott Counties)	Mountain Empire Older Citizens, Inc.	(703) 328-2302

## Cycling Around Virginia

A variety of historic and scenic areas, miles of well-marked, well-kept rural roads and pleasant weather conditions make Virginia a favorite among bicyclists. In Virginia, a bicycle is considered a vehicle, and the laws governing the regulation of traffic apply to bicyclists and motorists equally. To receive a map of bike routes across Virginia, biking safety or other information, please contact:

State Bicycle Coordinator  
Virginia Department of Transportation  
1401 East Broad Street  
Richmond, Virginia 23219  
(804) 786-2964

## Commuter Park & Ride Lots

Commuter park & ride lots have been constructed in many areas of the state. These lots are available for commuters wishing to transfer from the automobile to carpools, vanpools, bus or rail. In addition, there are numerous non-official commuter park & ride lots located at shopping centers and churches. For information on these lots or other commuter information, please contact your local transit system or ridesharing agency.



## Ferry Boat Service

The ferry boat is another form of public transportation found in Virginia. Currently there are nine ferries operating in the state. These ferries range from car ferries to passenger-only ferries. Ferry departure locations are identified by a ferry boat symbol. Schedules, trip length and telephone numbers are listed below and because many of the ferries are family owned and operated it is strongly suggested to confirm operation times before departing on a trip.

Ferry Name	Map Key	Service Schedule	Telephone Number	Passengers Only
Hampton-Buckingham County	F-9	Friday-Sunday, mid-April to mid-October; 9:00 am-5:00 pm, on demand, river permitting	(804) 286-3201	
Jamestown-Scotland	F-6	Daily, all year; 5:30 am-12:30 am	(804) 294-3354	
Leesburg, Va.-White's Ferry, Md.	F-4	Daily, all year; Summer: 5:00 am-11:00 pm; Winter: 5:00 am-8:00 pm	(301) 349-5200	
Merry Point-SR 604, Ottoman	F-8	Monday-Friday, all year; 7:00 am-7:00 pm, on demand	(804) 435-1580	
Norfolk-Portsmouth	F-5	Daily, all year; Winter: Monday-Thursday 7:00 am-9:45 pm, Friday 7:00 am-11:45 pm, Saturday 10:00 am-11:45 pm, Sunday 10:00 am-9:45 pm; Summer: Daily, 7:00 am-11:45 pm	(804) 623-3222	*
Onancock-Tangier Island	F-2	Monday-Saturday, June-September; leave Onancock 10:00 am; leave Tangier Island 1:30 pm	(804) 787-8220	*
Reedville-Tangier Island	F-1	Daily, May to mid-October; leave Reedville 10:00 am; leave Tangier Island 2:15 pm	(804) 333-4656	*
Smith Point, Va.-Smith Island, Md.	F-3	Daily, mid-May to mid-October; leave Smith Point 10:00 am; leave Smith Island 2:15 pm	(804) 453-3430	*
Sunnybank-Ophelia	F-7	Monday-Saturday, all year; 7:00 am-7:00 pm, on demand	(804) 529-6530	

## Air Service

Air service is available at 75 public use airports throughout Virginia. There are 11 airports with scheduled commercial airline service, including service for corporate jets. The 11 commercial airports are supplemented by 64 general aviation airports licensed for public use. Many general aviation airports can serve corporate jet aircraft and most can accommodate multi-engine corporate aircraft. Many of these airports offer private services, including aircraft maintenance. Virginia also has public use heliports - in Bedford and Norfolk.

Persons interested in leasing a van for vanpool purposes can call their local ridesharing agency and ask about the Virginia Van Plan.

Virginia ridesharing agencies, their service areas and telephone numbers are listed below.

Program	Map Key	Service Area	Telephone Number
Alexandria Ridesharing Service	R-3	City of Alexandria	(703) 838-3800
Arlington County Ridesharing Program	R-1	Arlington County	(703) 358-3575
Easyrider	R-15	Cities of Hampton & Newport News	(804) 838-1433
Fairfax County RIDESHARES	R-4	Fairfax County	(703) 246-1111
James City County Share-A-Ride	R-14	City of Williamsburg; James City & York Counties	(804) 220-1621
JAUNT RideShare	R-10	City of Charlottesville; Albemarle, Nelson, Louisa & Fluvanna Counties	(804) 255-6165 1-800-36JAUNT
Loudoun County Ridesharing Program	R-5	Loudoun County	(703) 777-0222
Middle Peninsula RIDESHARE	R-12	Essex, Middlesex, Mathews, King & Queen, King William & Gloucester Counties	(804) 758-4VIP
Northern Neck Ridesharing Program	R-11	Lancaster, Richmond, Northumberland & Westmoreland Counties	(804) 529-7275
Prince William Ridesharing Program	R-7	Cities of Manassas & Manassas Park, Prince William County	(703) 335-6846
RADCO Rideshare	R-9	City of Fredericksburg; Caroline, Stafford, King George & Spotsylvania Counties	(703) 373-POOL
Rappahannock-Rapidan Commuter Services	R-8	Fauquier, Rappahannock, Culpeper, Madison & Orange Counties	(703) 829-7451
Ridefinders	R-13	Cities of Richmond, Petersburg, Colonial Heights & Hopewell; Henrico, Chesterfield & Hanover Counties	(804) 643-RIDE
Ride Finders Network	R-2	Metro Washington D.C.	(202) 783-POOL
RIDESHORE	R-17	Accomack & Northampton Counties	(804) 787-7433
Tidewater Regional Transit Ridesharing Program	R-16	Cities of Suffolk, Norfolk, Chesapeake, Portsmouth & Virginia Beach	(804) 623-RIDE
TRIP Ridesharing Program	R-6	City of Winchester; Clarke, Warren, Page, Shenandoah & Frederick Counties	(703) 635-4146
Valley Metro Ridesharing	R-18	Cities of Roanoke, Salem & Vinton	(703) 982-2222

## Ridesharing - Matching Commuters

Ridesharing agencies located throughout the state assist Virginia's commuters in determining the best means of transportation to fit their commuting needs. Ridesharing coordinators furnish free "matchlists" for car or vanpools, locate the best bus route or rail schedules and even help find park-n-ride lot locations. The coordinators also assist with inner city parking management, employer relocations and promotion of High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes. HOV lanes are special express lanes during morning and evening peak travel periods for vehicles with three or more occupants... a true ridesharing benefit. HOV lanes exist on I-95 from the Prince William/Fairfax County line to Springfield (near I-95) and continue on I-395 into Washington, D.C. Inside the Beltway, I-66 is dedicated to HOV on all incoming lanes in the morning and on the outgoing lanes during the evening commute.

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